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- (a) In this section, "law enforcement officer" means:
- (1) a law enforcement officer who, in an official capacity, is authorized by law to make arrests;
  - (2) a sheriff, deputy sheriff, or assistant sheriff; or
- (3) an employee of the Division of Correction, the Patuxent Institution, the Division of Pretrial Detention and Services, the Division of Parole and Probation, a local correctional facility, or any booking facility.
- (b) A person may not knowingly remove or attempt to remove a firearm from the possession of a law enforcement officer if:
- (1) the law enforcement officer is lawfully acting within the course and scope of employment; and
- (2) the person has knowledge or reason to know that the law enforcement officer is employed as a law enforcement officer.
- (c) A person who violates this section is guilty of a felony and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 10 years or a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or both.
- (d) A sentence imposed under this section may be imposed separate from and consecutive to or concurrent with a sentence for any crime based on the act or acts establishing the violation under this section.

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